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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today.
 (Total—173) Pages S7233–34, S7283

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 3:10 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, July 14, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7319.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE/JUSTICE/STATE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary approved for

full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, and the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY/POSTAL SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of the Treasury, United States Postal Service, and General Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee continued mark up of S. 10, to reduce violent juvenile crime, promote accountability by juvenile criminals, and punish and deter violent gang crime, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Tuesday, July 15.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 2151–2157; were introduced. Page H5177

Reports Filed: One report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 2158, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (H. Rept. 105–175). Page H5177

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Snowbarger to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H5133

Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act: The House completed debate and began consideration of amendments to H.R. 2107, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. The House completed debate and considered amendments on Thursday, July 10.

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Rejected:

The Klug amendment, debated on July 10, that sought to reduce funding for the clean coal tech-

nology program by \$292 million by increasing the amount rescinded by that amount (rejected by a recorded vote of 173 ayes to 243 noes, Roll No. 264).

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The Royce amendment, debated on July 10, that sought to reduce funding for fossil energy research and development programs by \$21 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 175 ayes to 246 noes, Roll No. 265); and

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The Ehlers amendment that sought to provide \$80 million to terminate the National Endowment for the Arts and establish the Art for Kids Act with grants to state art councils and local education agencies to support the arts (rejected by a recorded vote of 155 ayes to 272 noes, Roll No. 266).

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A point of order was sustained against language in the bill that provides \$10 million for the National Endowment for the Arts.

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Votes Postponed:

The Chabot amendment that sought to terminate the funding of \$110 million for the National Endowment for the Humanities (the vote was postponed until Tuesday, July 15).

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The House agreed to H. Res. 181, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill on July 10.

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Late Report—VA and HUD: The Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight Friday, July 11, 1997 to file a report on a bill making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

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Late Report—Agriculture: The Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight Monday, July 14, 1997 to file a report on a bill making appropriations for the Departments of Agriculture, Food and Drug Administration and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

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Late Report—Foreign Operations: The Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight Monday, July 14, 1997 to file a report on a bill making appropriations for Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and related Programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

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Meeting Hour—Monday, July 14: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 3 p.m. on Monday, July 14.

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Meeting Hour—Tuesday, July 15: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 15, for morning hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, July 16.

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National Commission on the Cost of Higher Education: Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein he appointed Dr. Blanche Touhill of Missouri and Dr. Walter Massey of Georgia to the National Commission on the Cost of Higher Education.

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Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

National Endowment for the Arts: Message wherein he transmits his 1996 Annual Report of the National Endowment for the Arts—referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce;

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District of Columbia Budget Request: Message wherein he transmits the Council of the District of Columbia's Fiscal Year 1998 Budget Request Act of 1997—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H.Doc. 105–102); and

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North Atlantic Free Trade Agreement: Message wherein he transmits his study on the Operation and Effect of the North American Free Trade Agreement—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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Amendments: Amendment ordered printed pursuant to the rule appears on page H5178.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5137–38, H5138–39, and H5155–56. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Committee Meetings

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS; BUDGET ALLOCATION

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Transportation appropriations for fiscal year 1998.

The Committee also approved a revised Section 602(b) budget allocation report for fiscal year 1998.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development approved for full Committee action the Energy and Water Development appropriations for fiscal year 1998.

INTERNET TAX FREEDOM ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on H.R. 1054, Internet Tax Freedom Act. Testimony was heard from Senator Wyden; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

REVENUE RECONCILIATION

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2014, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to subsections (b)(2) and (d) of section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 14 through 19, 1997

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will consider S. 1005, Department of Defense Appropriations, 1998. Senate will